

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 have been canceled without prejudice. New claims 23-29 have been added. Thus, claims 23-29 remain pending. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully submitted that claims 23-29 include at least one allowable subject matter of the parent of the present application. Thus, at least for the reasons similar to those discussed in the parent application, it is respectfully submitted that claims 23-29 are allowable.


In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits the present application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (408) 720-8300.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any shortage of fees in connection with this response.

Respectfully submitted,

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